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>Date: Mon, 13 Mar 2006 08:18:12 -0800
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>Subject: I strongly urge that you recomment Package 2 (over Pkg S or 1)!!
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>Chairman Phil Isenberg
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>via E-Mail
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>Dear Chairman Isenberg:
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>As a frequent and long time diver in the Monterey Bay area I support
>Package 2 as the most effective network proposal under your
>consideration. It is more balanced for conservation and for
>socio-economic impact than Pacakage S. Please do not adopt the staff
>"Package S" unless and until the following deficiencies are fixed:
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>It builds its network on reserves near the minimum size acceptable to
>the Science Advisory Team. This risks the effectiveness of the network.
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>Package S does a poor job of obtaining socio-economic benefits we could
>derive from MLPA: it puts weak protections at areas popular for
>non-consumptive recreation like diving, and does little to enhance the
>"destination value" of the Monterey area for eco-tourism. Monterey and
>Pacific Grove must have more reserves and high-protection areas than
>Package S offers. The Carmel Pinnacles Reserve must be large enough to
>cover the spots of greatest value to Monterey's commercial dive boat
>fleet.
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>Package S places weak protection in deeper offshore waters, risking
>food sources for sea birds, marine mammals and larger fish.
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>Package S would actually create more negative impact on the squid and
>spot prawn fisheries than the more effective and better balanced
>Package 2.
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>Sincerely,
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